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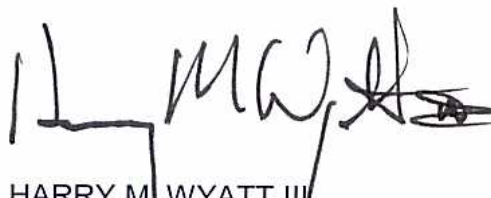
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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Constitution Day and Citizenship Day

1. All of us as U.S. citizens and employees of the Department of Defense (DoD) have an opportunity and an obligation to reaffirm our commitment to the principles of liberty, justice and democracy that guide our great Nation and inspire others around the world.
2. Public Law 108-477, 8 December 2004, (36 USC Section 106), designated 17 September of each year as "Constitution Day and Citizenship Day" to commemorate the formation and signing of the Constitution on 17 September 1787, and to recognize all who have become citizens.
3. The DoD has made Constitution training materials available for all employees at <http://constitutionday.cpmis.osd.mil>. Each of you, as your mission permits is to review these online educational materials regarding this great document. Your supervisor can provide you with specifics regarding the certification of your participation in this training program. I ask you to take some time to learn more about this subject and think about what the Constitution means to us today. As DoD employees, we have a sworn or affirmed duty to support and defend the Constitution of the United States.
4. I leave you with two thoughts that may bring these issues closer to home. Each year some of your compatriots are working to achieve their U.S. citizenship, even as they serve in the National Guard. Secondly, because of the freedoms we have, we are each able to take stock in the day to day applications of and the challenges to our Constitution. These events and the lasting nature of the Constitution are causes for celebration.
5. In the out years, it will be the goal of this organization and its subordinate commands to promote and commemorate "Constitution Day" and "Citizenship Day," on 17 September. Point of contact for this program is LTC Bill Gray, Human Resources Office, (405) 228-5921 or email [william.robert.gray@ok.ngb.army.mil](mailto:william.robert.gray@ok.ngb.army.mil).

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